



Common Privet

Ligustrum vulgare



The Henry L. Ferguson
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Appearance

semi-evergreen shrub

up to 20 ft tall

mildly poisonous

thin, gray to brown bark

Foliage

long oval to lance-shaped

oppositely arranged, smooth margins

Flowers

present in June

small, white, 4-part, tubular, terminal clusters

Fruit

present in the fall

green drupes maturing to black

Ecological Threat

native to Eurasia

rapid growth and spreads prolifically through seeds